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From: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: NAVY AND MARINE CORPS AVIATION MUSEUMS

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 4001.2F
(b) OPNAVINST 5750.10H (NOTAL)
(c) OASD(P&L) ltr of 23 May 88 (NOTAL)
(d) Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) (NOTAL)
(e) DOD Instruction 4160.21-M of Sep 82 (NOTAL)
(f) DOD Instruction 4160.21-M-1 of Oct 81 (NOTAL)

1. Purpose. To establish Department of the Navy policy on the exchange of excess Government-Owned Equipment (GOE), namely aircraft and/or aircraft components, with the civilian sector for the enhancement of historic collections and exhibitions of Department of the Navy artifacts and memorabilia in aviation-associated museums. References (a) through (f) are applicable.

2. Background. Department of the Navy aviation-associated museums are tasked with collecting, preserving and displaying artifacts, including vintage aircraft, that are significant and rich in the history, traditions and heritage of Navy and Marine Corps aviation. These items (artifacts, memorabilia, collections and associated piece-part material) have been acquired predominantly through the transfer of GOE to the Museums, donations from a variety of sources, and through the exchange of selected excess GOE with the civilian sector in return for items and equipment of historical significance.

3. Discussion

a. Authority for the approval of the exchange of GOE with the civilian sector was held by the General Services Administration and the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Reference (c) delegated this authority to the Secretary of the Navy. The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Shipbuilding and Logistics), ASN(S&L), is the executive agent for the Secretary of the Navy in these matters and will establish the appropriate level of control to ensure museum exchange transactions are well-managed and in the best interest of the Department of Defense (DOD).

b. Department of the Navy (DON) aviation-associated museums have acquired aircraft items under guidelines established in reference (d). DOD guidelines governing the re-utilization and

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disposal of GOE are set forth in references (e) and (f). This instruction establishes the policy for the exchange of excess GOE (aircraft and/or aircraft components) for specific historical items or material; or for specific services (such as underwater salvage, transportation, restoration, etc.) related to specific museum assets.

4. Responsibilities and Policy Guidance. The Director, Naval Aviation Museum (NAM) and the Officer-in-Charge, Marine Corps Air Ground Museum (MCAGM) shall:

a. Forward exchange proposals through the appropriate chain of command to the ASN(S&L). ASN(S&L) approval is required for exchange proposals involving aircraft, aircraft engines or other major aviation-related items.

b. Seek approval authority for items other than those addressed in paragraph 4(a), e.g., artifacts, memorabilia, collections and associated piece-part materials through the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) designated approval chain of command.

c. Coordinate with the Curator for the Navy all proposed exchanges of naval aviation materials by other naval command sponsored museums. Command-sponsored museums other than NAM and MCAGM shall not exchange aviation-associated items directly with the civilian community.

d. Ensure that exchange documents forwarded for approval contain, as a minimum, the following:

(1) A proposed exchange agreement between the museum and the civilian sector forwarded through the proper chain of command for ASN(S&L) approval.

(2) A discussion of the historical value of the material(s) to be exchanged.

(3) A determination of the fair market value of the material(s) to be exchanged, including the initial acquisition cost for all GOE.

(4) A statement that the exchange is no-cost to the government. Any incidental expense related to the exchange (such as aircraft preparation or towing) shall be stated in the proposal.

(5) GOE material exchanged shall be in an "as is, where is" condition as specified in the proposal.

(6) A certification that the proposed exchange is in the best interest of the U. S. Government.

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e. Ensure that, in conjunction with the cognizant contracting activity, an exchange agreement contract is executed and records and documents pertaining to the exchange are maintained and preserved in accordance with applicable existing regulations. The Naval Supply Center, NAS Pensacola, Florida will be the contracting agent for Naval Aviation Museum exchanges and the Purchasing and Contracting Division, USMC Combat Development Command, Quantico, Virginia will be the contracting agent for Marine Corps Air-Ground Museum exchanges.

5. Action

a. This instruction applies to Department of the Navy aviation museums. Exchange proposals shall be forwarded through the appropriate chain of command as delineated in paragraph 4 of this instruction.

b. CNO and the Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC) shall report the exchange of excess GOE with the civilian sector to the ASN(S&L) twice each year; no later than 30 April and 31 October.

6. Report. Symbol SECNAV 5755-1 has been assigned to the reporting requirements contained in paragraph 5 and is approved for three years from the date of this instruction.



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